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- 1) 59-53041
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- 7) WO 2000/17994
- 8) 10-189402
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References 1) and 9) include a partial English language translation, and References 2) to 8) include an English language abstract.

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